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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

I-5 - NORTH OF CASTAIC TO FRAZIER PARK -- UPDATE #2

I-5 LANE CLOSURES FOR PAVEMENT REPAIRS 10/11 – 10/15

North of Castaic to Frazier Park — The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will close the following lanes and ramps of the northbound and southbound Golden State Freeway (I-5) from Vista Del Lago (about two miles north of Castaic) to Frazier Park, as part of a one-year, 40-mile project to repair lanes on I-5 damaged from this year's heavy rainstorms:

From 12:01 a.m. to 5 a.m. Tuesday, October 11:

- One to three lanes of northbound and southbound I-5, intermittently, in various locations, from Frazier Park to Vista Del Lago
- The Frazier Mountain Road on-ramp to southbound I-5
- The southbound I-5 on-ramp and off-ramp at Gorman Post Road
- The southbound I-5 connector to State Route 138
- The southbound I-5 on-ramp and off-ramp at Smokey Bear Road
- The southbound I-5 on-ramp and off-ramp at Vista Del Lago

Daily and overnight, 5 a.m. to 5 a.m. -- from Tuesday morning, October 11 through Saturday morning, October 15:

- One to three lanes of southbound I-5, intermittently, in various locations, from Frazier Park to Vista Del Lago
- The Frazier Mountain Road on-ramp to southbound I-5
- The southbound I-5 on-ramp and off-ramp at Gorman Post Road
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Note: On- and off-ramps will be closed on an as-needed basis. This \$6.8-million, 40-mile project will include replacement of existing Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) slabs, replacement of pavement striping and markings, and installation of reflective markers on newly placed slabs. This project will provide a safer and smoother commute. Estimated completion is October, 2006. Closures are weather permitting and subject to change. Signs will be posted to assist motorists.

Caltrans reminds motorists that traffic fines are doubled in freeway work zones, and to please *SLOW FOR THE CONE ZONE*.

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